

Senior Survey: A one-year follow-up of the Class of 2007 Questionnaire

Hello, this is _____ and I'm calling for VSAC, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. We're conducting a survey of students who graduated from high school in 2007 to ask a few questions about post-high school activities.

May I speak with STUDENT NAME?

Speaking with student >>>S1

Student comes to the phone

Hello, this is _____ and I'm calling for VSAC, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. . We're conducting a survey of students who graduated high school in 2007 to ask few questions about your post-high school activities.

S1 You are part of a small group of the 2007 high school graduates, so your participation is very important. For completing this survey, you will be entered in a drawing for a Nintendo Wii system. This interview should only take a few minutes.

You should have received a mailer from us in the last few weeks letting you know we'd be calling.
>>> S2

Student not available and won't be able to participate in survey within data collection period (out of the country, in the military, etc)

P1 Are you the parent of STUDENT?

1. Yes>>> P3
2. No

P2 Could STUDENT's parent come to the phone to answer a few questions?

1. Yes
2. No>>> S3

When Parent is on the phone: Hello, this is _____ and I'm calling for VSAC, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. We're conducting a survey of students who graduated high school in 2007 to ask few questions about their post-high school activities. For completing this survey, your (daughter's/son's) name will be in a drawing for a Nintendo Wii system.

P3. The questions are fairly straight forward and you can probably answer most of them.

S2. This will only take a few minutes. May I get started?

1. Yes>>> Intro
2. Not now>>>S3

S3 Ok, may I ask your name? _____
When can we call you back? >>>Schedule callback

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Intro: Before we begin, there are a few points I need to cover: I want to assure you that all the information you give will be kept completely confidential and that none of it will be released in any way that would permit identification of you. Your participation in this study is, of course, voluntary. If there is any question you would prefer not to answer, just tell me and we will go on to the next question.

Q4 Did you attend school last fall?

(This includes any type of education or training program: 4- or 2-year college/university, technical training program/school for less than 2 years)

1. Yes
2. No>>>Q7

Q5 Did you attend school as a full-time or part-time student?

1. Full-time
2. Part-time

Q6. Did you also work last fall?

1. yes >>>Q15
2. no >>>Q15

Q7 What best describes what you did last fall?

[If answers 2-7, go to Q13]

1. Worked, either full- or part-time >>>Q8
2. Entered the military service
3. Became Full-time homemaker
4. Took Time off
5. Unemployed, looking for a job
6. Unemployed, not looking for a job
7. Other: Please specify_____

Q8 Approximately, how many hours per week did you work?

1. less than 10 hours
2. 11-20 hours
3. 21-30 hours
4. 31-40 hours
5. More than 40 hours

Q9 What kind of work did you do?

1. Construction (e.g. carpenter, drywall installer, etc.)
2. Food Prep and Serving (e.g. food server, cook, etc)
3. Personal Care (e.g. child care worker, barber, home care aide, etc.)
4. Installation, Maintenance, Repair (e.g., automotive repair, cable installer)
5. Office/Clerical (e.g. receptionist, bookkeeping, etc.)
6. Sales (e.g. cashier, retail salesperson, etc.)
7. Other: Please specify

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Q10 How long was the on-the-job training for this position?

1. Less than one month of on-the-job training
2. 1-12 months of on-the-job training
3. More than 12 months of on-the-job training
4. No on-the-job training required

Q11 Which of the following benefits does your employer offer to you in your current position?

(Check all that apply) *(yes, no, DK, refused for each)*

- a. Medical Insurance
- b. Paid vacation and sick days
- c. Retirement savings or pension plan
- d. I don't receive any benefits

Q12 What is your hourly rate?

OPEN-ENDED

Q13 Do you plan to continue your education or enter a training program anytime in the future?

1. Yes
2. Maybe
3. No >>>Q21
4. Don't know >>>Q21

Q14 When are you planning to continue your education?

1. Started this past spring [after Jan 1 2008]
2. This coming fall (Sept, 2008) >>>Q20
3. Within a year or two>>>Q20
4. More than 2 years from now>>>Q20
5. Don't know>>>Q20

Q15 First we need to ask a few questions about going to school.

What school did you attend?

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Q16 What State is this school in?

1	AL	27	NE
2	AK	28	NV
3	AZ	29	NH
4	AR	30	NJ
5	CA	31	NM
6	CO	32	NY
7	CT	33	NC
8	DE	34	ND
9	FL	35	OH
10	GA	36	OK
11	HI	37	OR
12	ID	38	PA
13	IL	39	RI
14	IN	40	SC
15	IA	41	SD
16	KS	42	TN
17	KY	43	TX
18	LA	44	UT
19	ME	45	VT
20	MD	46	VA
21	MA	47	WA
22	MI	48	WV
23	MN	49	WI
24	MS	50	WY
25	MO	51	DC
26	MT	52	Out of the US

Q17 (*Skip if Q6=2*) Approximately, how many hours per week did you work?

1. less than 10 hours
2. 11-20 hours
3. 21-30 hours
4. More than 30 hours

Q18 What type of degree are you working on?

1. Bachelor's (BS,BA, 4-year)
2. Associate's (AS, AA, 2-year)
3. Certificate (Less than 2 years)
4. Not working on a degree, Taking a course or two (non-degree) >>>Q20

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Q19 What is your planned major?

1. Agriculture, agriculture operations, and related sciences
2. Architecture and related services
3. Area, ethnic, cultural, and gender studies
4. Biological and biomedical sciences
5. Business, management, marketing, and related support services
6. Communication, journalism, and related programs
7. Communications technologies/technicians and support services
8. Computer and information sciences and support services
9. Construction trades
10. Education
11. Engineering
12. Engineering technologies/technicians
13. English language and literature/letters
14. Family and consumer sciences/human sciences
15. Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics
16. Health professions and related clinical sciences
17. History
18. Legal professions and studies
19. Liberal arts and sciences, general studies and humanities
20. Library science
21. Mathematics and statistics
22. Mechanic and repair technologies/technicians
23. Military technologies
24. Multi/interdisciplinary studies
25. Natural resources and conservation
26. Parks, recreation, leisure, and fitness studies
27. Personal and culinary services
28. Philosophy and religious studies
29. Physical sciences
30. Precision production
31. Psychology
32. Public administration and social service professions
33. Science technologies/technicians
34. Security and protective services
35. Social sciences
36. Theology and religious vocations
37. Transportation and materials moving
38. Visual and performing arts
39. Don't know
40. Other SPECIFY
99. Refused

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Q20 What is the highest level of education you plan to complete?

1. Certificate of less than 2 years
2. Associate's degree
3. Bachelor's degree
4. Master's degree
5. Professional degree (Law, Med, Pharm, Architecture, etc.)
6. Doctorate degree
7. Undecided

Q21 And now, thinking ahead a bit. Where do you think you will be living in 5 to 6 years?

1. Vermont >>> END
2. State other than Vermont
3. Don't know

Q22 Which of the following would be your reasons for not planning to work/live in Vermont in 5 or 6 years? (Check all that apply) (*yes, no, DK, refused for each*)

- a. I want to experience a different environment [more or less urban, diverse, etc.; not weather-related]
- b. I want to be closer to family/friends who live outside VT
- c. There are more job opportunities out-of-state
- d. I think I can make more money out-of-state
- e. The quality of life is better out-of-state
- f. The cost of living is lower out-of-state
- g. Other: Please specify

END That's it! You've answered all of the questions we had for you today. Well, except one more...

Raffle Would you like to be entered into the drawing for a Nintendo Wii?

1. Yes >>>>CONFIRM ADDRESS
2. No >>> SURVEY COMPLETE

CONFIRM ADDRESS

In case we draw your name, we need to know how to reach you:

Please enter the best phone number where we can reach you:

Area Code (Phone)

Please enter your mailing address (the place we would mail your prize):

PO Box or Street Address

City

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ZIP